

# Why Participate?

## Why Donate for Democracy?

*"I love being a poll worker! It requires commitment and focus on the part of the volunteer, but at the end of the day I am always filled with a great sense of pride."*

*-Monica Cline*

*"I am an active advocate of community service, and I have participated in many forms of service to my fellow citizens, but there is no greater satisfaction than service to the political process."*

*-Sabrina Patterson*

*"Over the years working the polls, I have worked with many wonderful people who have the utmost respect for the democratic process. Being a poll worker has given me the opportunity to assist Hoosiers at the polls and earn money for my family's charity."*

*- Joe McLain*

## Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Voter Registration Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Permanent address) \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Home telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a **registered voter** of the county of your **permanent residence**? Yes No

\*Please note you must be a registered voter to be eligible to be a poll worker.

**Party Affiliation?** Democrat Republican Other

\*Please note you must identify a party affiliation to work the polls. If you select "other," your name will be added to the list of eligible poll workers for both parties.

Please return to Julia Bauler, HAVA Education and Outreach Director (see reverse) or sign-up online at [www.DonateforDemocracy.in.gov](http://www.DonateforDemocracy.in.gov).

# Donate for Democracy Poll Workers for Charity



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## Overview

### Did you Know?

- On Election Day, it takes more than 30,000 poll workers to run Indiana's 5,500 precincts.
- Recruiting volunteers is one of the biggest challenges of running an election.

### This year, do more than vote on Election Day.

#### Donate for Democracy Basics:

Assist your fellow Hoosiers at the polls on Election Day and earn a few extra dollars for your favorite nonprofit organization. Donate for Democracy provides an opportunity for you to contribute to your organization's charitable goals, **AND** play an important role in the democratic process.

- There are two easy requirements in order to participate:
  1. You must be a registered voter and a resident of the county in which you wish to work; and
  2. You must be at least 18 years old.
- You will earn at least \$70 for your charity and possibly more depending on your county.
- You will need to declare your political party preference in order to work on Election Day. Polling places are staffed by the political parties.

*Contribute Your Time on Election Day*

**&**

*Contribute Money to Your Favorite Nonprofit*

## Program Details

### How it works:

1. **Sign up online at [www.DonateforDemocracy.in.gov](http://www.DonateforDemocracy.in.gov).** You may also complete the attached form and return it to your county clerk's office, or to:  
Julia Bauler, Help America Vote Act (HAVA)  
Indiana Secretary of State's Office  
302 West Washington St., E-111, Indianapolis, 46204  
Or call 317-232-6541 with any questions.
2. **Your name will be added to your party's list of eligible poll workers for Election Day.** If selected, you will be notified of your county's poll worker training schedule and the polling place that you will work on Election Day.
3. **You will participate in training,** led by your county election administrators, on everything you will need to know on Election Day—including how to set up the polling location, administer the voting systems and check in voters on the poll list.
4. **Show up at your assigned polling location on Election Day** and prepare for a very rewarding day of serving your fellow Hoosiers. In some counties, poll workers can "share the day" between two friends, colleagues or family members, instead of working the full day.
5. You will receive your poll worker stipend from the county. **When you receive your check endorse it directly to the charity or organization of your choice** and return it to your Donate for Democracy representative or directly to the organization.

\*\*\*Make sure to request a receipt or keep a copy of your check if you wish to claim this donation as a tax deduction.